<u>City Council</u>
Jose Esteves, Mayor
Armando Gomez, Jr., Vice Mayor
Robert Livengood, Councilmember
Althea Polanski, Councilmember
Debbie Giordano, Councilmember



# CITY OF MILPITAS - NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Special Meeting of the City Council will be held at 6:00 PM on Monday, March 6, 2006 in Council Chambers at City Hall, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas, CA

#### **AGENDA**

#### SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, March 6, 2006, 6:00 PM Council Chambers, City Hall 455 E. Calaveras Boulevard

- I. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. CITIZENS FORUM

Public comments may be made regarding any subject not on the agenda. Please limit your remarks to three minutes.

- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- IV. RESOLUTION

Adopt Resolution placing an Advisory Measure on the June 6, 2006 Primary Election related to whether the City Council should place a Charter City ballot measure on specified topics before the voters

V. ADJOURNMENT

Mary Lavelle, City Clerk	

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# IV. ADOPT RESOLUTION CALLING FOR SPECIAL ELECTION FOR AN ADVISORY BALLOT MEASURE RELATED TO THE POTENTIAL PREPARATION OF A DRAFT CHARTER CITY BALLOT MEASURE

#### **Background:**

At the City Council meeting on February 21, Vice Mayor Gomez and Councilmember Livengood presented a report requesting that the City Council place an advisory measure before the voters asking whether the City Council should place a measure before the voters establishing a city charter including certain specific requirements. Councilmember Livengood expressly stated at that meeting that the June 6, 2006 Ballot Measure would be advisory in nature only. The City Council voted to provide direction to prepare a ballot question that could be placed on the June 6, 2006 primary election ballot. The proposed measure is attached hereto.

At this meeting, the City Council must determine the language for the ballot question (75 words) and determine which, if any, Councilmembers are authorized to prepare a ballot argument (maximum 300 words) and a rebuttal argument (maximum 250 words). The City Council may also desire to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Impartial Analysis (maximum 500 words).

# Relevant due dates for election activity are:

Friday, March 10, 2006 Ballot measure due to the County

Wednesday, March 15, 2006 Ballot arguments due

Wednesday, March 22, 2006 Rebuttals to arguments due and

Impartial analysis by the City Attorney due

**Recommendation**: Consider draft resolution and provide direction to staff regarding placement of an advisory measure on June 6, 2006 ballot.